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2017 Schedule of Meetings:

June 7th, July 5th, Aug. 2nd, Sept. 6th, Oct. 4th, Nov. 1st, and Dec. 6th.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m., meeting starts 7 p.m., at the Rockwood Public Library (inside Eramosa Community Centre) at 85 Christie Street (near corner Christie Street and Main Street North Wellington Road 27, Rockwood, On. N0B 2K0.

2017 Annual Membership Fee:

Regular \$10
Couple \$12
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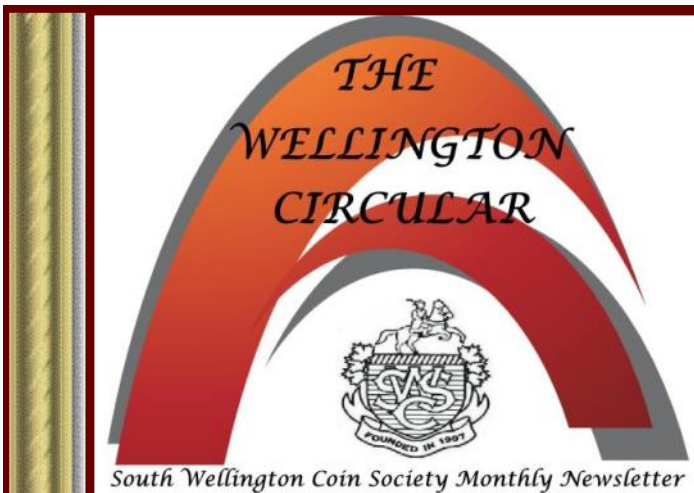
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NEXT MEETING DATE:
WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 7TH, 2017
DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.
MEETING STARTS
****7 P.M.****
THEME:
CUBAN DUAL CURRENCY

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, June 7th, 2017 AT **7 P.M.**** (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)! **Mike Hollingshead** will present "*The Dual Currency of Cuba - Post Triumph of the Revolution.*" This is our annual Pizza Night too, and we'll have our draws and auction too. GOLD coin in the auction!! Due to a scheduling conflict, Paul Miller's presentation will now take place at our July meeting, but he assures it's been updated for the most recent awards.

Our heartfelt condolences to **Sean Sinclair**, Shelley Malo, Andrea Sinclair, the rest of the family and friends on the loss of Sean's father John James Edmond Sinclair on April 15, 2017 (Ottawa). Wish **John Regitko** a speedy recovery with his knee. Delighted that despite 42 staples from complicated surgery, **John Semedo** was able to attend part of our May meeting and help out at the admissions table for part of our Guelph show. We wish him a continued speedy recovery. Farewell to **Larissa Koropeccki** who has relocated to another city. We wish her all the best.

Contrary to our belief at our spring show, we still have a supply of **SWCS / Canada 150** copper medals for sale at \$15 each. Please reach out to Scott if you would like one, and he'll have some at our June meeting as well.

Thank you to **Ernie** and **Linda Blair** for taking coins on behalf of members to ICCS for grading. They will let you know when they are ready and he's picking them back up from ICCS.

Eddy Wiesblatt would like other SWCS members to know he has mobiletext (no voice) where you can communicate with him by textmsg, and welcomes open communicate with him at 1-519-820-4279.

Many thanks to all who step forward to help with our May 6th show, it's always amazing what teamwork can accomplish! A big hug to each of these **15** folks: **Judy Blackman, Mel Brown, Garry George, Heather Hoddinott, Mike Hollingshead, Peter Horne deus, Robb McPherson, Tito Schito, John Semedo, Robin Semedo, Sean Sinclair, Charlie Turton, Eddy Wiesblatt, Lowell Wierstra, and Doug Wilson.** Robb McPherson picked the Dealer's prize won by **Ted Bailey** (50 Cuban cigars and a bottle of 3-year-old Havana Club rum). At the request of some dealers, we are investigating the option of moving our spring show date up by a week. Thank you to those who donated treats and items for our admissions table and kids table. On May 7th **Mike Hollingshead** promptly sent off a beautiful RCM 1/25th ounce gold coin (\$130 issue price) to our winner, **Marie Brenner** in St. Mary's, Ontario — how's that for fast and classy service!



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SWCS EXECUTIVE

Term of Office: **July 1, 2015—June 30, 2018 (3 yrs)**

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Other Non-Elected IMPORTANT Club Roles

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ALL Draws and Membership Meeting Notes: **John Semedo** and **Mike Hollingshead**

Show Bourse: **Mike Hollingshead** and **Lowell Wierstra**

Auction Chairman: **Lowell Wierstra**

Auctioneers: **Mike Hollingshead** and **Scott Douglas**
Auction Runners: available executive and other members.

“Giving Back to Community” Liaison:
Heather Hoddinott

Hospitality, Mall Days and Kids’ Programs & Mentors:
Mel Brown and **Charles Turton**

Meeting Room Set-up and Clean-up:
All members present



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Club Report & News reported by Mike Hollingshead, John Semedo, and Scott Douglas

Our May 3rd meeting seen 25 in attendance. **Scott Douglas** polled the group for feedback on the SWCS 20th Anniversary Banquet. All chimed excellent dinner and great event! Total cost of all the books, medals, prizes, meal, plaques, and other goodies for this event, totalled approx. \$9,000. Members reminded our shows have enabled us to have maintained the same membership dues since our charter, to have free snacks and beverages at our meetings, and to host events like our annual pizza night and our 20th Anniversary Banquet, and to do medals on occasion. This year we have a number of dealers with medical issues, and they can only participate in our show if there are folks to help bring their stuff in and set up their tables. We called for additional volunteers this year, and we were happy to have **15** folks step up and pitch in!!! Special thanks to those who were there early morning and late afternoon to help with the unloading / loading. You make us all so proud to be in this amazing club!!!

Next up was an ONA recap, and in recognizing the yummy dealers meals, an oversight occurred, in that **Peter Becker's** name was missed as one of the people who helped assemble and deliver these to the dealers and volunteers at the event.

Scott Douglas explained about the SWCS and the CNRS Canada 150 program medals made, and he had SWCS available for sale at the meeting for \$15 each, and you could make arrangements with Scott to acquire a CNRS medal while they last. **Robb McPherson** had some ONA Canada 150 copper medals at the meeting and our show for sale, and he was taking prepaid orders from anybody who wants a silver one. The silver will be struck early July after the June 30th deadline for pre-orders. You can order the ONA medals on line too!

Thank you to **Garry George** and **Peter Becker** who looked after selling draw tickets at this meeting, and also Peter took notes, some photos (in addition to our Editor) and helped with the auction.

Draws:

Robin Kenny missed out on \$10 when his name was drawn for our Attendance Draw. **June's draw will now be for \$15.** Will you be the lucky winner? Only if you're at the meeting!

King Arthur's Treasure: **Mike Hollingshead** was the lucky winner of the equivalent of 85 items. Now he has more change to buy more cigars in Cuba. If you show up for our June meeting, you will learn



just how many cigars you can get for a small amount of money when you are in Cuba!

The Daytona draw seen our own "Mr. Lucky" **Andrew Fedora's** name called out. He selected envelope #1, bidding was fast and furious with **Ernie Blair** bidding \$25. Andrew decided a "bird in the hand" was his preference so the \$25 went to Andrew and Ernie won the "contents" of the envelope, a 1995 and 1998 RCM Prooflike set (combined they wholesale for \$40 and retail higher with the 1998 being the higher value of the two items).



Auction: Thank you to our auctioneer **Mike Hollingshead** and our runners **Peter Becker** and **Judy Blackman**, and our auction cashier **Lowell Wierstra** who also prepares the auction list each month. Lowell welcomes your consignments, and remember we keep our consignment fees very low, if not the lowest in Ontario. With the absence of some of our regular bidders (probably dealing with flooding from all the rain, NHL, or whatever kept them away — maybe they didn't realize it had been a month since our fun anniversary banquet), a smaller group took advantage of the fine selection of items. Lowell works hard each month to ensure there is something for everyone in the 40 lot auction.

However those who did bid, got some pretty good deals and some interesting items such as a 1870KB Hungarian .400 Silver 10 Krajczár (1/6) (KM 451.1, not the



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the restrike variety). Could you imagine if this had been the 1887KB which only had a mintage of 25,369 and a VF20 markets at \$250, a XF40 at \$600, and a MS60 at \$1,100 (USD) according to NGCoin.com. These I. FERENCZ JÓZSEF 10 Krajczár (1/6) were issued 19870-1889, and demonetized Dec. 31, 1896. The engraver was Josef Hermann Tautenhayn who was an Austrian medalist and sculptor.

Our May auction saw spirited bidding on some lots, and a few buying opportunities were passed. Mike suggests it would really pay members to give a good look at June's auction as there are some definitely good deals if you study the page.

May's auction saw the first two winning bids from member **Aubyn Blackman**, who accomplished the feat without his wallet! Fortunately for Aubyn, his wife Dame Judy Blackman thought the lots were good value and silently partnered on those lots. Good to see your activity level move up a notch Aubyn and congratulations on some good buys. Judy confirms he really did leave his wallet on the counter as they went out the door and he remembered about a block from home but Judy didn't want to turn home around and risk being late for the meeting.

[next two photos courtesy of Peter Becker]



Education:

Our May meeting originally had Freddie scheduled to present and exhibit; but due to Freddie having to be in Toronto, he was unable to attend. The presentation was a composite. "Egyptian Pyramids & Great Sphinx Numismatics & Philatelics" was written by **Freddie Barsoum** and **Judy Blackman**, and presented by **Mike Hollingshead**.

The laptop seemed to not be felling the "Pyramid Power" and quaked out near the end of the presentation, but the audience got some good information from the 2/3 of the program that did fly.

Our June meeting will be our annual Pizza Night, Education



Night, Auction Night! A new PowerPoint presentation that premiered at the 2017 ONA Educational Symposium will be presented. "**The Dual Currency of Cuba—Post Triumph of the Revolution**" will be given by author **Mike Hollingshead**. The presentation will explain the island nation's use of a dual currency to allow subsidized life for working people. We will have our usual pizza at break and still have time for an auction.

Don't forget, SWCS promises an educational program at every meeting, pizza night included. Even our anniversary banquet, gave an education on the history of the club's 20 years — with live (lively) charter members present to share!



Then into summer, our **July** meeting welcomes **Paul Miller** who will give a presentation on "**International Banknotes of the Years**" (including 2016 recently awarded).

If you would like to present a numismatic topic, please speak to Scott or Mike, as we are now planning our August-December 2017 meetings. Remember, if you need assistance creating a PPT, we will provide you the assistance (before and during the meeting) if you would like the help.

Education:

Now some pictures from our show.

Here's **Robin** and **John Semedo** >>>



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Mel Brown
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What to do if 3 Amigos have 1 who thinks they profile better from the left, and another who feels a right side photo is better — take the shot from both angles! You be the judge!



Garry George, Charlie Turton, and Peter Horne

Brian Bell
>>>



Ernie Blair
<<<



Paul Koolhaas (Tottenham, ON) drew the winning ticket for a gold coin
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Mike Hollingshead calling Marie Brenner to tell her she won the



gold coin and he would send it to her in the next week

Doug Wilson & Judy Blackman
holding SWCS
Canada 150 medals
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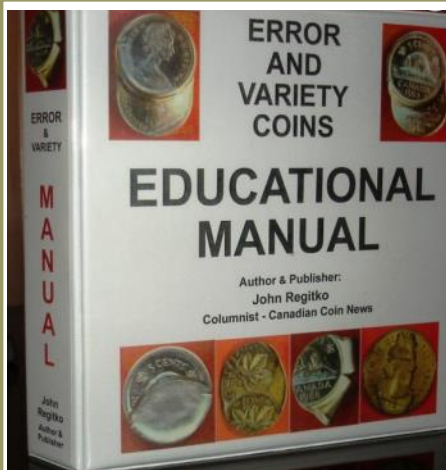


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Our very own SWCS member **Sean Sinclair** has expanded his talents. In addition to making coin / medal holders used by the RCNA, ONA and some dealers, he's making coasters and banks. The banks have taken off and are now featured with two dealers, and also at the **Joseph Schneider Haus** museum in Kitchener, which was originally a house built circa 1816 by Schneider, who was among a large group of Pennsylvania German Mennonites from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania that settled in Waterloo County, Ontario in the early 19th century. The house is the oldest dwelling in Kitchener and was designated a National Historic Site of Canada in 1999. The Schneider Haus museum is a living recreation of life in Ontario in the 1850s, and has been restored to that period. The site includes several outbuildings that recreate life of the time.



The museum highlights local folklore artists in a special gallery. Sean's wood banks feature different Canadian coins over the country's history; and recently, he has made a couple of themed banks, one with all 1967 Canadian Centennial coins, and another with NHL hockey teams. His wood laser-etched coasters have similar themes, but some also have special themes such as Remembrance.



Canadian Coin News' columnist John Regitko's **"Error and Variety Coins Educational Manual"** is now being made available directly from Trajan Publishing. The manual containing 450 pages of which nearly 300 are in full colour, also includes five CDs of information. One of the CDs includes a 43 minutes presentation recorded at Hum-

ber College, and some CDs have videos of errors and varieties, and others have videos of minting processes.

Because it includes the production process at the RCM (Ottawa) in the 1960-1970s for the most part, it is of historical significance.

Fifteen dividers separate the major sections which cover every facet of what is arguably the most popular specialty numismatic collectible. Each chapter is liberally illustrated with errors and varieties.

- ⇒ Blanks and Clips
- ⇒ Die-related Errors and Varieties
- ⇒ Errors Produced by the Minting Press
- ⇒ Tools to Assist Examining, Identifying and Authenticating
- ⇒ Identification Part 1 and Part 2
- ⇒ Terminology
- ⇒ Knowing What to Look For In the Marketplace and What to Avoid
- ⇒ Errors on \$2 Coins
- ⇒ Errors on Colourized Circulating Coins
- ⇒ Security at the Mint and Backdoor Jobs from the RCM
- ⇒ Internet Auctions and Listings
- ⇒ Post-Production Damage
- ⇒ Wide Variety of Error To Collect
- ⇒ Errors from Private Mints



Did you know around 30 clubs and associations across Canada are participating in the **RCNA / Canada 150 Medal** program. All share this common reverse.

Why The Interest In The Island Notes In The May Auction?

Our SWCS member **Aubyn Blackman** was born in Scarborough which is in the Christ's Church Parish in the fishing Village of Oistens in Barbados. He is one of 14 children born to Livingston* and Gwendolyn* creating a family of sixteen. His siblings include sisters Erlinda*, Patsy, Carol, Myrna, and twins Enid and Esther (who lovingly went by Nancy*), and his brothers Sherman*, Auburn (aka Ali), Basil (aka Sylvan), and Sandy, and two children* who did not survive childbirth (* deceased). In Barbados, your wealth is measured by your faith in God and the size of your family. So you should understand that Aubyn's parents came from large families and had large families which makes for many aunts, uncles and cousins!!! We can never sneak onto the island because there are too many folks who know Aubyn right away, even the airport manager is related! (but sometimes these connections can be helpful, like if your luggage gets lost) Several members of Aubyn's family have a long history of politics and / or working for the government. His sister Nancy had well over 30 years with the government working in Bridgetown, while commuting from St. James Parish daily. His sister Myrna who retired after nearly forty years as a hospital nurse, often worked on political campaigns. Most of the family in Barbados is either involved in nursing (such as Aubyn's niece Kim), government, politics, electronics, or fishing and cooking. In addition to this, the government teaches all the children to have a trade, four of Livingston's sons benefited from this, one a carpenter, one an electrician, one a mason, and one a plumber. It is difficult for Canadians to understand Bajan life. Bajans are very influenced by a long history of British control before 1966 when Barbados became an independent state and commonwealth of Britain, but many traditions still continue. Just how the British send their kids away to school at a young age, and then between prep school and university they have a "wander" year, similarly Bajans send their children away to extended family to be educated in other parts of the world, and hopefully establish themselves better than they could at home given the island is only 431 km², and the 2015 census report (most recent available) shows the island population at only 284,215. Now the 2016 census report for Guelph shows the population as 131,794 (more than a 10,000 growth in just 5 years), so you can see this entire island is just a little over twice that of Guelph in terms of people and Guelph's population is spread out over only 87.22 km², so you can see how dense it is compared to Barbados with vast uninhabited jungles and forests.

Now Sir Courtney Blackman served three terms as founding Governor of the Central Bank of Barbados and as Barbados' Alternate Governor to the IMF from June 1972 to March 1987. From 1987 to 1994 he was an International Business Consultant to several governments, central banks, multilateral institutions and international corporations; he also served as Director General of several corporations and financial institutions. He joined the diplomatic corps in January 1995 as Barbados' Ambassador to the United States and Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States. He held this post until September 2000. He also served as Ambassador for the United Nations representing Barbados.

Sir Courtney holds an Honours degree in Modern History from the University of The West Indies, and a Ph D from the Graduate School of Business Columbia University (New York), where he majored in Money and Banking, with a minor in International Business. He later worked on Wall Street as an Economist from 1968 to 1971 at the now defunct Irving Trust Company, going on to become Associate Professor of Management at Hofstra University on Long Island, New York. An authority on central banking in developing countries, Sir Courtney Blackman has lectured at major universities in Britain, Canada and the USA. He has also published numerous papers and three books.

Now if you look closely at this picture of Sir Courtney Blackman and Aubyn, you should easily see the resemblance, especially the nose, eyes and chin.



Now Aubyn has many Bajan bank notes at home in much higher grades than what was in the May 2017 SWCS auction. However, whenever he encounters specific notes, he will usually snap them up because they are a part of his family's history, in that they are signed by Sir Courtney Blackman. At age 39, Courtney became the youngest Central Bank Governor in the world! Back in 1972, he responded to the call from the Prime Minister.



Now 84, the "semi-retired" economist, on whom a knighthood (Knight of St. Andrew "KA" of the Order of Barbados) was bestowed (conferred) in 1998 — the highest honour in Barbados, continues to be sought out as a speaker and consultant. He believes his upbringing in Christ's Church Parish in the village of St. David's as the son of a district school headmaster had a profound influence in the shaping of his character. Courtney shares, "From the time I was about eight or nine years old, I left home in the

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morning roaming the village. My parents never saw me until five o'clock again and they never bothered about it. The adage about the child being raised by the village aptly applies here. I had to be like Caesar's wife, without reproach in the village because everybody knew my father and if I strayed the people would tell my father. I was taught by my parents to treat all people with respect and if I strayed from that path I was chastised. I think that stayed with me throughout my life." Now this is similar for Aubyn, you never crossed or disobeyed the headmaster, and you better have clean polished shoes and a spotless uniform when you arrived at school (this caused most kids to tie their shoes together and carry them around their neck, rather than risk them getting scuffed, dusty or dirty before getting to school inspection at the opening bell). As well, Aubyn had to listen to every adult in the parish and be respectful and if not, any neighbour would administer punishment and that was fine with his parents, as was the nature for the other families and their kids. Everybody knew who you belonged to and where you were supposed to be. There were no telephones but information traveled quickly. You also didn't have toys and children's books. You had chores for your house and helping neighbours, and every day your reading was the bible. You played outdoors, there was no electronics!

Now Courtney's father was Aubyn's great-uncle (his grandfather's brother). Courtney's signatures are on these notes (P33—1973-\$10 and P30-1980-\$2) although these are not the notes from the auction as those were a much lower grade. Both were printed by *De La Rue* in London. The \$10 has Charles Duncan O'Neal on the front and Trafalgar Square (now National Heroes Square) Bridgetown on the back. The \$2 has John Redman Bovell on the front and again Trafalgar Square on the back.



Now Courtney got Barbados successfully through the critical 1973 oil crisis.

In October of 1973 the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) initiated an embargo that tripled the price of oil and precipitated the global recession of 1974-75. As the world economy slowed, tourists arrivals declined, and the economies of Barbados and

Jamaica were hit simultaneously with declining foreign exchange earnings and the rising cost of fuel.

The multipronged hit to these small island economies conspired to reduce growth and drive up inflation. The Barbadian government decided to engage the West and continue policies aligned with Lewis's industrialization by invitation. The Jamaican government took the opposite course, attempting to close off its economy and direct the allocation of scarce economic resources by seizing the commanding heights of the economy. These differing policy choices would define Barbados's relative success for more than a decade after the crisis — and Jamaica's precipitous decline. [In the mid-1930s, the Nobel laureate Caribbean economist Sir Arthur Lewis was a student at the London School of Economics (LSE) and helped to shape an economic approach for islands of the West Indies]

Courtney's shared, "I was very fortunate to have been governor during the period when Erroll ("Errol") Walton Barrow (aka Dipper Barrow of the Parish of St. Lucy) and Tom Adams were in power. Barrow the first time around, not the second time." Barrow was the Prime Minister who selected Courtney to head of the bank. I worked with Barrow for about four years, with Tom for about eight or nine years, only one year with Sir Harold St. John." Courtney believes the approach he adopted in dealing with prime ministers was key to his being given the authority to manage the Central Bank. Barrow is known as the Father of Independence and Social Transformation and considered a National Hero of Barbados and is celebrated annual on April 28th along with 9 other heroes. Also his birthday January 21st is called Erroll Barrow Day and is a national holiday in Barbados. You can find his picture on a \$50 Barbadian currency bill. Starting with WWII until his death on June 1, 1987 (when he suddenly collapsed at home), his accomplishments are great and numerous! He served as premier 1961 to 1966 taking Barbados to independence, and then he served again as premier 1986 and would have continued on if not for his passing a year later. During his time in office, he accelerated industrial development, expanded the island's tourism industry, introduced the National Health Insurance and Social Security, and expanded the free education on all levels. With a literacy rate of 99.7% as measured by the UNDP Report, Barbados is ranked 4th worldwide.

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In 1965 he led the foundation of the Caribbean Free Trade Association (CARIFTA), which later evolved into the Caribbean Community (CARICOM). Together with other leaders of the Caribbean region, he helped enact the Treaty of Chaguaramas to strengthen the political and economic relations between the English-speaking Caribbean territories.

Charles founded the Democratic League (DL), set up the Working Men's Association (both in 1926) (WMA), launched a co-operative venture in Bridgetown, and invested in the newspaper *The Herald* promoting social change. He was the first politician in Barbados to campaign for the improved conditions for women in the workplace, and supported the role women held in leadership positions in the DL and WMA. In 1998 he was named one of the ten official National Heroes of Barbados for his outstanding contributions to the country's history and development. When he passed away in 1936, Charles left a legacy of increased political consciousness of the nation and social reform.



Now before Aubyn's mother was with Livingston, she was with Toson Barrow (cousin of Erroll) until widowed, and Aubyn's oldest sibling (Myrna) has a different father than the rest of the children, in that her father was Toson. Now Erroll Barrow is son of the late Reverend Reginald Grant Barrow and the late Ruth (nee O'Neal), and he was the nephew of legendary Dr. Charles Duncan O'Neal. Grant's siblings included three full siblings and two half-siblings. In many English-speaking Caribbean islands, it's a common trend to have cousins, siblings, and children rise in politics with other members of the family. The many times your Editor visited Barbados and in turn visited her husband's family and friends' homes, the radios were always on the Political Talk shows, and folks frequently discussed politics. It's no surprise that when Aubyn came to Canada, he studies Political Science at college in Sarnia, and he too is glued to the television political shows, especially U.S. politics, West Indies, France, England and Greece, but very little in Canada (he says Canadian politics are boring).

Erroll on \$50 >>>>

Now Erroll's sister Dame Ruth Nita Barrow ("Nita") was the first and only female Governor-General of Barbados (June 1990-December 1995). She was a nurse and humanitarian activist.

In the early 2000, (and 1990s), Aubyn's sister Myrna worked on campaigns for constituents for the Christ Church Parish. Prior to his death in 2008, on two occasions, Myrna introduced me to Duncan Carter, the former Christ Church East Central MP.

Then in 2013, Myrna was again promoting Desmond Sands for Christ Church East Central and Jerome Walcott for Christ Church South. Her and her lady friends had regular meetings at Myrna's house, to discuss the success of the campaign and how to promote the candidates to be elected. With Myrna roots in the Barrow family, it's no surprise she would be so interested and active in politics.



Hopefully now you understand why these lower grade notes were bid on by Aubyn, it wasn't about the market value but the family history!

Local Clubs & Numismatic Associations Upcoming Shows & Conventions

*For other shows (out-of-province, out-of-country, dealers, auction houses),
go to Canadian Coin News Events Page, <http://canadiancoinnews.com/events/>*

2017-June 1-3: Toronto Coin Expo and Auction at Toronto Reference Library (2nd floor), 789 Yonge Street. Complete information at www.torontocoinexpo.ca. Educational and kids programs too.

2017-June 11: Brantford Numismatic Society's Annual Coin Show at the Branlyn Community Centre / School, 238 Brantwood Park Road, Brantford, ON, N3P 1N9, hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., free admissions, wheelchair accessible and ample parking, and those under age 18 can visit the Kids Table (subsidized pricing). Breakfast and Lunch available from outdoor food truck. Contact Cassidy Stroud, phone 519-427-6158 or email brantfordcoinclub@hotmail.com.

2017-June 24-25: TOREX® Canada's National Coin Show at Hyatt Regency Toronto On King in the Regency Ballroom, 370 King Street West (downtown Toronto). Hours: Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact: phone 416-705-5348 or through on-line form at www.torex.net.

2017-July 18-23: Royal Canadian Numismatic Association's 63rd Annual Convention is gearing up (Boucherville, PQ—Hotel Mortagne 1-877-655-9966 room reservation code 5153), and this year's host is the **Association des Numismates et des Philatelistes de Boucherville** (www.ANPB.net) which is celebrating its 50th Anniversary and the City of Boucherville is celebrating its 350th Anniversary since founding. This year's convention includes a visit to the original Bank of Montreal which is celebrating its 200th Anniversary this year, a visit to the Old Montreal which is celebrating its 375th Anniversary since founding, a visit to Old Boucherville and a dinner cruise on the Saint Lawrence River. Of course there will be kids stuff, an educational forum, an auction, exciting bourse and exhibits, specialty club meetings, awards banquet, and more.

2017-August 1-5: World's Fair of Money at the Colorado Convention Centre, 700 14th St., Denver, CO 80202 USA. This is the biggest, most educational coin show in the the U.S.A. Build your collection from the best numismatic inventory anywhere, attend lectures and seminars, and view rare historical treasures from the American Numismatic Association's Money Museum and private collections. There are also exhibits, a large bourse, luncheon, round table forum (Money Talks), awards banquet, receptions, silent auction, young numismatist events, judges familiarization and certification program, and of course beautiful Denver to see: Rocky Mountain National Park, Explore Foothills, Haunted Pubs Walking Tours, Pike's Peak and Air Force Academy, Mount Evans, and Scavenger Hunt Adventures—these are all regular August tours in Denver.



Pocket Change Radio

Rick Dupuis put us all to shame at the ONA Awards Banquet. He came decked out in a tuxedo, looking ever the polished gentleman.

Remember, you can catch Rick's Pocket Change show on Blue Water Radio (Hanover) on Tuesday nights. You can also visit the archives to listen to past shows. For example you can catch our very own **Scott Douglas** Apr 25 2017, and RCM Coin Designer **Joel Kimmel** Jan 24 2017 shows at these links:

[https://archive.org/details/
PocketChangeRadioApril252017ONAPresidentScottDouglasFULL](https://archive.org/details/PocketChangeRadioApril252017ONAPresidentScottDouglasFULL)

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As Rick says, "Collecting Money Is Music To Your Ears!"



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Creelman Bros., Georgetown, Ontario

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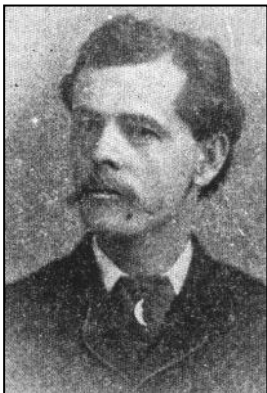
DID YOU
KNOW



.....that a pioneer in the knitting machine industry began an empire in Georgetown, Ontario that lasted almost 50 years?

A while ago I was prowling through a local antique shop when I had the fortune to stumble upon a back issue of the Georgetown Herald from Thursday July 23, 1891. I grew up in Georgetown*, having delivered the Herald in my youth, so the appeal is obvious. I also happen to know that due to a fire many of the issues of the Herald were destroyed and lost forever.

Inside this edition of the paper was an ad by Creelman Bros with a 'paper token' for \$2.00 toward the purchase of a Dollar Family Knitting Machine. The 'token' is very attractive and would have made a wonderful piece in metal had it been executed as such.



Richard Creelman along with his brother Robertson Creelman began a business on Main St. in Georgetown in 1872. Although originally dealing in books, stationery, musical instruments and sewing machines they soon established a factory for the manufacture of knitting machines. This venture was described in an 1893 newspaper as "the pioneer industry of its kind, it is believed, in the Dominion."

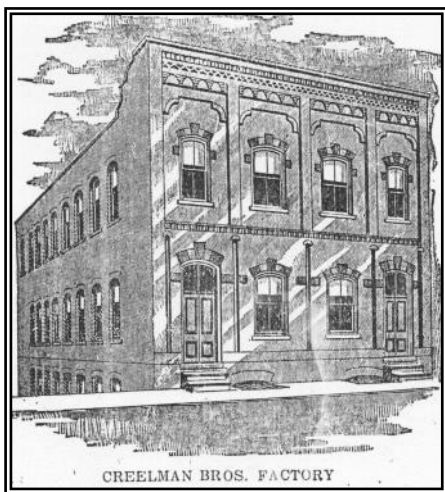
In 1890 the brothers separated with Robertson taking the stationery business to Collingwood, Ontario and Richard kept the knitting machine factory in Georgetown. At one time Creelman advertised that they manufactured 20 styles of knitting machines. Around this time Richard also began selling typewriters.



Richard Creelman traveled throughout the world promoting his knitting machines and at one time lived in France for 3 years selling his machines. The Company letterhead of 1888 advertised their 'Manufactory' as Creelman's Block, Main St., Georgetown and their European Office in Antwerp, Belgium. By 1913 Creelman claimed that in almost every country of the world could be found the nameplate of "Creelman Bros., Georgetown Canada. The company also claimed by this date to have sold between 25,000 and 30,000 knitting machines.



Some time in the 1920's the company changed its name to Creelman Limited with Richard's son Clifford becoming involved. However, declining health forced Richard to sell the business. Richard died in 1932 at the age of 82 years.



The Creelman building later housed a candy company 1948-1957, a Fish and Chip shop, a barbershop, a photo studio, a T.V. and appliance store and an instrument company until finally being purchased in 1966 by Sid Silver who ran Silver's Clothing store beside the building. Before Silver could tear down the building to expand his store fire consumed the structure hastening its demolition.

*Authors note.

I grew up in Georgetown having lived there from the age of five (1957). I delivered the local newspaper for many years and also delivered bread door to door in my youth.



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Until I discovered the aforementioned newspaper I had never, to my knowledge, heard of Creelman Bros. or any of the family before this. The house Richard Creelman owned still stands to this day (2016) although it is becoming swallowed up with surrounding newly built townhomes. I drive past this house, which sits on highway 7, a couple of times each week and have been for more than 50 years. This is just one more example of how local history and numismatics make us aware of the people that came before us. Those forgotten lives are gratefully reborn to the researcher.



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Your Editor (who is a Member of Pinterest) found this Creelman World Star Sock Knitting Machine which sold for \$9.95.

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Taler the Tiger

Münze Österreich (Austrian Mint) has released a (product no. 21792) 3-Euro-Tier Taler the Tiger at € 9.92 (plus shipping). This is the second coin in a striking series about the wonderful wildlife. The Tiger featured is an Asian big-cat with the dazzling appearance, is both daytime and particularly lively in the night. The Tiger on the this coin needs the darkness to be able to radiate. But this is not the only highlight of the 12-part "Colourful Creatures of the Wildlife" series of shearing cut style coins. The face value of the coin is 3 euros, and they are valid payment in Austria. The 34 mm, 16 g, CuNi 25, special uncirculated coin was designed by Anna Rastl. If you want a special album book "Sammel Album" to come with it, then the cost is € 15.40 (plus shipping). Your Editor is a member of the Austrian Mint Coin Club, and therefore receives advance notice before the general public to new releases and special offers, similar to the Masters Club of the RCM (which she also belongs to). The Münze magazine says: The "king of the jungle", is lucky to have no natural enemies. Man, however, has imitated him in the past 200 years, almost exterminating him. His impressive appearance almost made him a doom. In the last few decades, however, his beauty has been an advantage. It is probably one of the world's most popular wild animals and is considered particularly protective. The series includes a bat, tiger, crocodile, kingfisher, wolf, parrot, shark, owl, frog, turtle, otter and river cancer (in this order). On the other side of the coin is a younger tiger in color, which is illuminated in the dark. In the upper left half of the coin, a python winds around a branch." The well-known animal researcher and animal film-artist Franz Hafner describes his encounters with Amur-Tigers in the open -air area in the Münze magazine, "It allows an approximation of 30 meters. He does not want you closer. If the tiger does not want, you do not see him. He has to get used to you, so he knows you do not have any evil. He is a cat, he is also proud and a little imagined. And at some point he becomes curious. A tiger is comfortable, self-confident, intelligent and a very good hunter. It is exciting that there is a living creature that is more powerful and intelligent in its habitat than man. You're at the mercy, and it's up to the tiger whether he spares you or not."



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LOT	DESCRIPTION	EST. VALUE	RESERVE	BID
1	1984 Lake Ontario Tall Ships Rendezvous / Rochester NY 150th Anniversary medallion	\$ 8.00	\$ 4.00	
2	1978 British Columbia Sea Festival Trade Dollar		\$ 5.00	
3	1983 Stratford Trade Dollar		\$ 1.00	
4	1974 Banff Indian Days Trade Dollar		\$ 1.00	
5	Souvenir Diamond Head Hawaii Trade Dollar		\$ 1.00	
6	Canada 1965 silver dollar T1		\$ 12.00	
7	Canada 2016 Commemorative Loonie BU		\$ 1.00	
8	Newfoundland 1898 LW silver half dollar		\$ 16.00	
9	Belize 1988 quarter		\$ 1.00	
10	U.S.A. 1923 Five cent coin		\$ 2.00	
11	Vatican 1971 8-coin coin set	\$ 35.99	\$ 22.00	
12	Vatican, Sede Vacante 1958 silver 500 lire in red holder (probably proof)	\$ 137.00	\$ 45.00	
13	Vatican 1975 Pope Paul VI silver plate token demonetized	\$ 18.37	\$ 5.00	
14	Vatican 1948 Pope Pius XII 5 lire aluminum coin BU	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	
15	New Guinea 1936 penny unc	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	
16	New Zealand 1985 cent		\$ 1.00	
17	New Zealand 1950 florin	\$ 8.00	\$ 4.00	
18	New Guinea 1945 silver shilling UNC with toning	\$ 12.00	\$ 6.00	
19	Great Britain 1942 half crown silver	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00	
20	Great Britain 1938 half crown silver	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00	
21	Great Britain 1936 three pence silver unc	\$ 20.00	\$ 7.00	
22	Great Britain 1929 half crown silver	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00	
23	Great Britain 1929 silver florin EF	\$ 18.00	\$ 10.00	
24	Nations United for Peace 1995 silver 2 pound coin proof	\$ 40.00	\$ 20.00	
25	Canada 2012 Queen's Diamond Jubilee color 50 cent	\$ 18.95	\$ 9.00	
26	Australia 1988 five dollar commemorative coin MS60	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.00	
27	Australia 1927 silver florin MS60	\$ 100.00	\$ 40.00	
28	Philippines 1885 50 centimos .835 silver NGC graded AU58	\$ 55.00	\$ 26.00	
29	Canada 1867-1967 mint 7-coin set with Gold (contains 0.5288 oz) \$20 coin	\$ 950.00	\$ 700.00	
30	Frame with 8 different notes includes 2\$ American, 1923 shin plstr		\$ 10.00	



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